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For: LENS MOVING MECHANISM FOR AN IMAGING DEVICE AND METHOD  
THEREOF

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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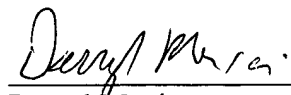
request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

**Post-examined Japanese Patent Publication Nos. Hei 5-4196, Hei 7-7143, and Hei 8-3572 are disclosed on page 1 in the specification for the above-identified application. Also, Patent Gazette, Japanese Patent No. 2894659 is disclosed on page 1 in the specification for the above-identified application.**

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